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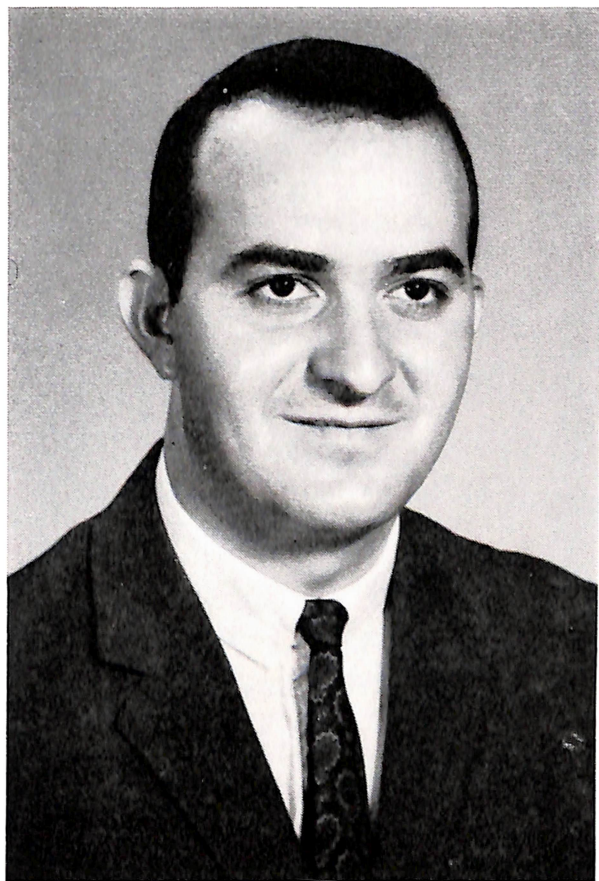
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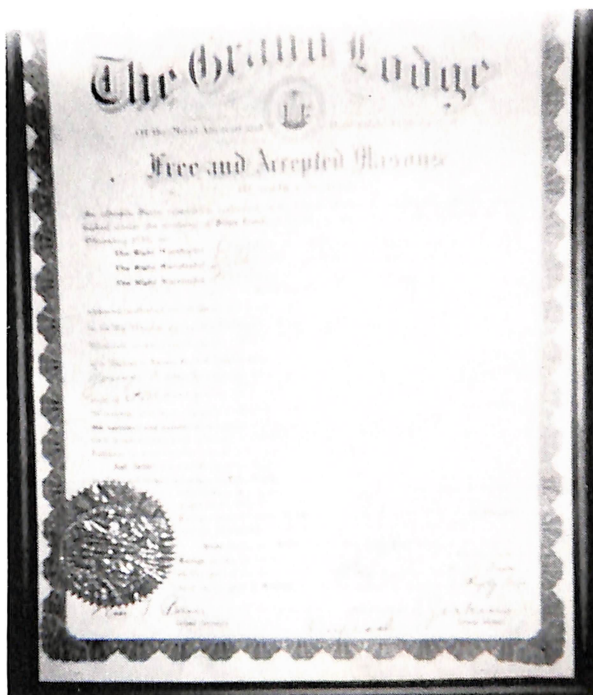
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PREFACE

*There is not enough darkness in the world
to extinguish the light of Freemasonry*

This history of Adoniram Lodge No. 149, includes all the information found in the history of this lodge. It includes and preserves the names of each officer, by station or place, for each of the past one hundred and sixteen years, along with the name and a statistical masonic history of each Brother who has been a member of this lodge. Other features include a roster of Fraternal dead, a study of membership trend and trends of degree activity by years.

I have confined this writing only to those facts which have been checked out and authenticated. I express my most sincere thanks to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina for its genuine enthusiasm in permitting me to have full access to the records. To the Oxford Orphanage and its staff who have been so co-operative in searching out the truth.

To my devoted wife, Lynda, who has been so patient in helping me with the details and proofing of the manuscript.

To the former and present members who have devoted time and money to make Adoniram such a great lodge.

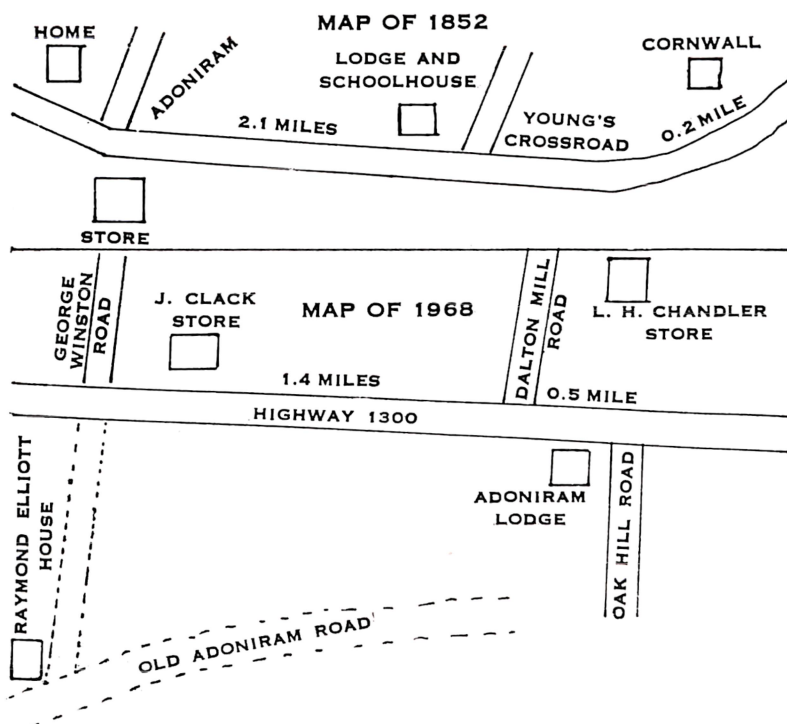
I humbly dedicate this history.

ROBERT LEE WINSTON
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CHAPTER I

Cornwall is in Northern Granville, close to the dividing line between North Carolina and Virginia. Ever since time there were Masons and in Northern Granville this was true. Early in the year of 1852, the few Masons around Cornwall began to talk about building a lodge. At first some were against this because of the conditions in the United States. As always there are some who will not give up, and with these few Masons things begin to move.

The original name was "County Line" at Young Cross Road (under dispensation) and was chartered under the name of Adoniram Lodge No. 149 on December 8, 1852. When the Lodge met for its first meeting the members elected L. B. Stone to serve as Worshipful Master. The original building was approximately one hundred yards from the present location, and with this in mind the following map was established to help locate the original lodge.



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The maps were drawn from the opinions and ideas of older members and therefore, some errors may exist. The first question would be where to build the lodge. This question was tossed about for several months. The opinion of the members was that in order to carry out the successfulness of Masonry, we must have a large building. The members began working, and within a period of several months the first lodge building was built. Now things begin to look up for Masons in Northern Granville County, since this was the only lodge in this section of the county. With this in mind, they began to grow. In 1853, there were eight people to apply for admission into the lodge. Out of this number six were raised, which brought the total number to 27 members. Rev. J. P. Mollet was elected Chaplain, and he was also the first Chaplain to be elected in Adoniram Lodge.

The meeting time was Saturday before the third Sunday, and the opinion of this writer is that the reason for it was that the members wanted to return home before dark. In the early years of the Lodge, they did not have a specified time to hold election, and therefore the time of the elections can not be verified. In 1854, John E. Montague was elected Chaplain of the Lodge. Also during 1854, two members were raised to the Master Mason Degree.

With times as they were things were uncertain because of the conditions existing in the United States. People were not joining as fast as the members had hoped. It was in 1856, that the meeting time was changed to the first Saturday previous to the full moon. The reason for it is not clear. In North Carolina, as well as all over the nation, there was one question, what would happen to the union?

Times as they were, the members began to ask themselves could Adoniram Lodge exist if we have a Civil War. From 1859 to 1860 only three people joined the Lodge. Now people in 1860 began to become concerned, because the Civil War was only a matter of time. Therefore, in keeping with tradition, they changed the meeting time to Saturday before the first Sunday, and they met the following Saturday. This would be the last meeting of Adoniram Lodge for six years and the reason being the Civil War.

At this critical time in the history of the Lodge, there were 24 members and six of these members withdrew, and as best as the writer can tell these members left for the war. Their names are unknown and so are the names of

those who left Adoniram Lodge during the next six years. There are no records to verify the fact that any of the members of Adoniram Lodge were killed in the Civil War.

After the Civil War, the Lodge began to grow and at this time they had 42 members. This was the largest number in the Lodge since it started in 1852; therefore, it showed great signs of continuous growth. People began to become interested in Adoniram Lodge. As far as the records show they did not elect a Chaplain from 1866 until 1879, and Rev. R. I. Devin was elected and served until 1900. Then here again according to the records, Adoniram Lodge went without a Chaplain until Brother D. T. Winston was elected in 1929. Also, for the first time to appear on records, John S. Watkins was elected Marshal. The only other persons elected according to the Marshal and Chaplain are the following: Marshal L. J. Yancey in 1930. Chaplain J. A. Timberlake in 1963 and A. H. Clark in 1964-1968. Then in 1968, J. A. Timberlake was elected Trustee of the Lodge. Of the records that this writer is using, these are the only names that he is able to find in the old returns.

During the late 1800's, the Masons began to use the bottom section of the Lodge as a school house. Here the teachers taught several classes. There have been a lot of tales told about the events that took place in the one room school house. A lot of the members in their recollection have laughed and told of their experience in the one room school house.

People from all sections of Northern Granville County would walk to Cornwall to attend school. When they built Oak Hill High School in the 20's, this did away with the one room school house. The Lodge began to think, in order to have extra funds they should rent the bottom of the building. In July, 1917, Adoniram Lodge was struck by lightning and sustained a great loss. Brother W. E. Yancey was in the Lodge at the time, and before he could save the original Charter and records they were destroyed by fire. The members got a new charter and built the present second story building 5 or 6 hundred yards away that was formerly used as a school. The lodge since its founding has had as members so many notable preacher supply. The Rev. R. I. Devin, of Oxford, father of Justice W. A. Devin, of the Supreme Court, died August 31, 1931, at the advanced age of about 94. Dr. R. H. Marsh, also of more than 80 years.

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The Rev. J. U. Teague, who now lives in Henderson, is a Past Master of the lodge.

It has been impossible to collect all of the names of the renters of the present lodge. When John Wood built his new home, he and his family moved in the lodge until it was completed. Now W. H. Campbell and his wife rent the bottom of the lodge. The rest of the history will now be taken from the minutes of the lodge and recollection of present living members.

The records from 1917-1923 are unaccounted for because of fire. They start on November 19, 1923 with the lodge opening in the mason degree. On January 12, 1924, the lodge opened on the master degree, and Brother R. T. Pittard, was asked to charge the Cornwall Woodman of the World Camp \$25.00 per year for the use of the lodge, but the motion was defeated by J. E. Hart who moved we charge \$12.00 per year, and they move their regalia from our preparation room and build their own.

The first petitions on the new records are from J. J. Moore and C. D. Winston and Bros. D. T. Winston and J. T. Adcock were on the investigation committee. With times as they were in 1925, many members borrowed money from the lodge and some were unable to repay the money; therefore, the lodge gave some of the members a demit until such dues could be paid. If they owed money and were in good standing the lodge paid their dues until they could do better.

The lodge made Bro. J. B. Elliott an honorary member and put him on as a pay member beginning April 10, 1926. From August to December 1926, the lodge had one petition from W. E. Cannady and the committee reported favorably in his behalf. The last entree for 1926 was to give the Oxford Orphanage \$10.00 for Christmas.

The first communication for 1927 took place on January 8, and the lodge wrote Brother J. P. Puryear a letter of sympathy and presented him with a receipt of all lodge dues to January 1, 1927. It was during the year of 1927 that the first masonic trial took place. Brother G. W. Hart made a motion that the lodge dues be changed from \$5.00 to \$7.00 beginning January 1, and his motion was passed. This was the highest the dues had been since the lodge was established in 1852.



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Hart also moved that all delinquent brethren be at our next meeting to take care of bills. The members not at the April meeting would be under legal summons to explain why they had not paid their dues. Once again the lodge paid some of the members dues. J. W. Teague petitioned the lodge and was accepted by vote. It was the custom in the 20's to meet in the afternoon; therefore, on June 11, 1927, the lodge voted to change the time from 2:30 to 7:00 p.m.

On October 15, 1927, the lodge had a called meeting for the purpose of buying the lodge building with each member paying 1/44% of the purchasing price. The lodge then elected the following Bros. to the trustees: G. W. Hart, R. T. Eakes, and W. E. Boyd thus setting up the first trustees of Adoniram Lodge. They were to arrange to raise the money to pay for the lodge and land by December 1927. During this meeting the treasure books were examined by J. S. Watkins and D. T. Winston, and they found the books

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were off 91c from 1927-1928. They recommended that there be tighter control on the books to keep this from happening again. This was due to no ones part.

On May 23, 1931, Bro. E. D. Frazier lost his house by fire, and the lodge members decided to help him out by giving money to help rebuild. Later on Sept. 26, 1931 with hard times caused by the depression, Bros. Teague, Clement, and Hart gave a talk on the present times they were experiencing and what the world was coming to if the depression did not hurry and end. Some of the members were concerned because they were afraid the lodge would not be able to pay the dues to the Grand Lodge. On February 27, 1932, Frank Hancock of Oxford gave a portrait of George Washington to the lodge and Bro. G. W. Hart framed the picture in 1935 and presented it to the Lodge with Hancock's best wishes.

B. E. Stanfield our D.D.G.M. was giving \$5.00 to help him go to the dedication of George Washington Memorial in Washington, D.C. which took place on May 20, 1932. In June of '32, Stanfield gave the lodge a fine talk on the events that took place in Washington and what it meant to him to take part in such an event.

During the '30's a lot of members were excluded from the lodge and the following letter is a good example why:

Richmond, Virginia
November 23, 1936

Mr. J. J. Moore:

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed my petition for restoration in the lodge. I hope everything is all right, I never would have got out but I just could not pay my dues for I did not have anything to pay on the account or I would have but I hope I can get back in again. I thought you had forgot to send me the petition. I sent it back as soon as I got it and I hope it is not too late. I thank you very much for your trouble. Please let me hear from you as you can.

Yours sincerely,
J. J. Hudson
219 Carvadin Avenue
Richmond, Virginia

This letter is copied word for word to give you some ideas as to the problems that the lodge had collecting dues and the members who wanted to get back in. Some of the members moved to Harnett County in the 30's because of the Granville tobacco crop and such a member was Bro. A. T. Pittard who visited the lodge whenever he came back.

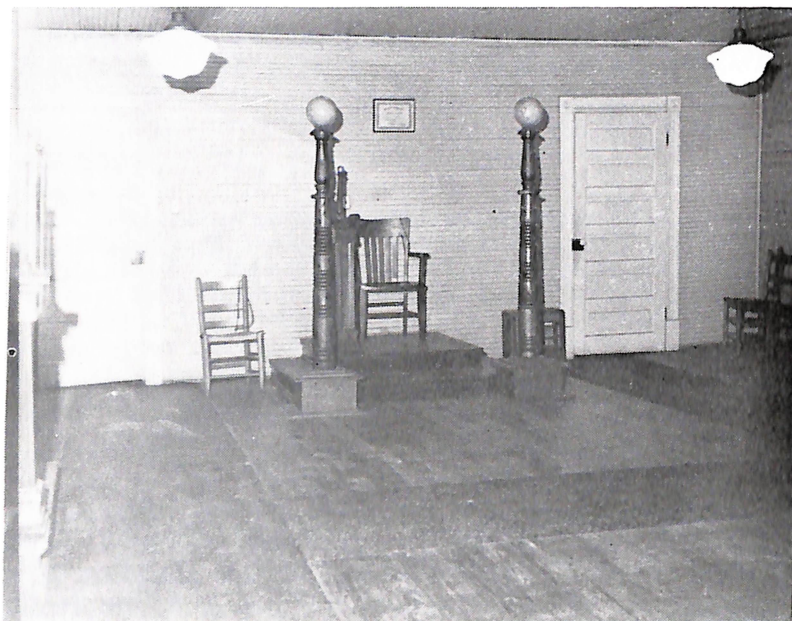
Every member paid \$3.00 for a new top on the building and it was put on by Carrington Supply Company at the cost of \$114.75. Dr. Daniel, who was a Mason in Adoniram about 1898, gave a talk to the members that carried them back a number of years in the work and about former members of the lodge in August 1939.

On June 22, 1940 the following members were given 25 year certificates: R. L. Eakes, S. C. Hart, G. W. Hart, H. A. Hart, A. L. Noblin, R. M. Noblin, S. L. Noblin, J. U. Teague, J. W. Winston, Sr., D. T. Winston, W. D. Watkins, J. S. Watkins, and W. E. Yancey.

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CHAPTER 2

"Oxford Lodge No. 122, steps up front among lodges that have unique meetings. It had one of its most interesting communications Monday Night, April 29, 1940, when Brother David T. Winston, of northern Granville, and five sons, all masons, witnessed the raising of the sixth son, James W. Winston, of Virgilina, Virginia. Though Oxford lodge has a hall much larger than the average, it was filled to overflowing with locals and visitors, numbering more than 150. The sidelines were three-deep and the East and West were crowded. Present were the Junior Past Grand Master, M. W. J. Edward Allen, and six district Deputy Grand Masters: Worshipful J. Exum Belamy, Fourth District; W. L. McIver, Thirteenth; J. M. Turley, Fifteenth; L. G. Jordan, Sixteenth; D. S. Johnson, Twentieth; Lon G. Turner, Twenty-first. Adoniram No. 149 the lodge in which Brother D. T. Winston and his five sons are members, was well represented. Eighteen lodges were represented.

"The degree work was conferred by the past Masters' Team of the Twenty-first district, and it was perfectly done.

The team was composed of these brethren: Master, first section, Sol Lipman, University 408. Master second section, B. S. Carr, Eagle 19. Senior Warden, E. N. Pearce, Bula 409. Junior Warden, J. S. Cook, Thos. M. Holt 492. Secretary, Dr. H. W. Moore, Eagle 19. Senior Deacon, G. A. Brown, Eagle 19. Junior Deacon, C. E. Mize, Bula 409. Senior Steward, R. B. Studebaker, Eagle 19. Junior Steward, L. G. Turner, Bula 409.

Fellowcrafts: S. H. Strayhorn, Eagle 19; Marvin Mangum, Eno 210; A. C. Cole, Eagle 19; G. A. Brown, C. M. Walker, Eagle 19; C. E. Mize, Lon G. Turner, C. T. Ward, Bula 409; Sol Lipman, University 408; R. B. Studebaker, H. O. Bivins, John Mangum, R. L. Wilson, R. J. Smith, J. A. Whitaker, W. L. Smith, Eagle 19.

"In the East grouped around the Master were M. W. J. Brother Allen and the visiting District Deputy Grand Masters. In the Treasurers' corner were Brother Dave Winston, Brother J. W. Winston, Sr. (brother to the proud father).

"The lodge was opened by Worshipful A. B. Overton, Master, who at the proper time turned the gavel over to Worshipful D. S. Johnson, D.D.G.M.; of the Twentieth,

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who had the Junior Grand Master and the five visiting D.D.G.M.'s introduced and given honors. The reception of the visiting degree team, fully uniformed, was most impressive.

"The degree team has been organized for several years. All the members being deeply interested in what they set out to do, a crack organization was soon developed. Many present on the 29th had seen the team in action one or more times, but never, they said had they seen work done by it so perfectly. The team has taken on finish and polish to the ninth degree. Not only was every word by each member spoken distinctly; the interpretation was so faultless that a pin might have been heard to drop. It was amazing that with a large lodge hall so compactly filled the attention was close enough to create profound silence.

"The perfect rendering of the ritual and the raft attention of the audience gave the candidate every opportunity to listen intently to all that was said and done, and he took full advantage of it. After he had been declared a full-pledged Master Mason and member of Adoniram Lodge, he was asked to give his reactions. The newly raised spoke for a few minutes in a manner to amaze all present. He had rivited his attention all through the conferring and so thoroughly did his instructors do the job, that he well remembered the nomenclature and comprehended the lessons and made a talk worthy of a studious Mason of long standing.

"Masonry is in the blood of the Winstons. The father, who was the "Belle of the Ball", has been a member of Adoniram Lodge nearly fifty years. His father, the late B. T. Winston, was a member of Adoniram for forty years; his grandfather, Colonel Isaac Winston, born in Franklin County in 1798, was a mason. Three brothers of Brother Dave Winston, were masons. A great uncle, John Overby, was one of the earliest members of Adoniram. The maternal grandfather of the six brothers present on the 29th, W. J. Ward, was of the fraternity.

"Adoniram Lodge, whose membership is derived from the fine citizenship of northern Granville, came into being 88 years ago, chartered by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 1852, and has been in continuous existence since.

"Four of Brother D. T. Winston's sons, Charles D., George T., Frances A., and James W. Winston occupy and

own four ante-bellum farms in the vicinity where their ancestors flourished. Dr. P. H. Winston is a medical doctor, and R. W. Winston is an attorney of Oxford.

"The father of the six sturdy young men is a cultured gentleman and a fine conversationalist. In his youth he taught two years in Baylor University, Texas, and spent five years in New Orleans, La., in the insurance business, being absent from his native state from 1890 to 1897. With the exception of a little difficulty in hearing, Brother Winston is in good health at the age of 77 years.

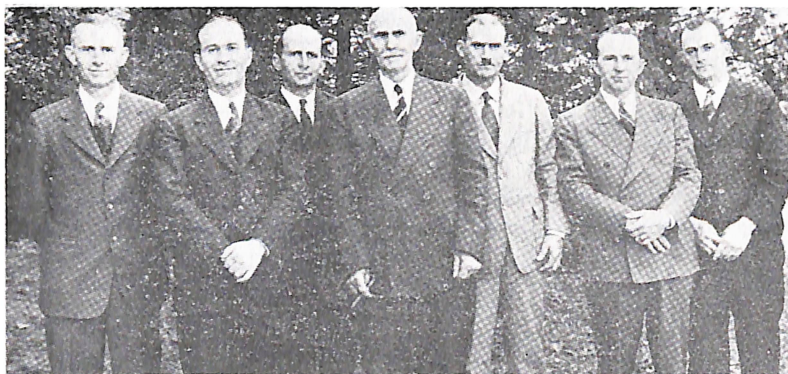
"The year after returning to North Carolina from the southwest Brother Winston was married to Annie Ward, who became the mother six sons. Brother Winston has always been an ardent mason. While in New Orleans he frequently attended Louisiana Lodge No. 102, and made one or more visits to French, Spanish and German Lodge in the city.

"Before the communication, a Dutch barbecue and brunswick stew, with trimmings, were enjoyed by Masons and their ladies, about 250 persons being served. The affair took place on the Orphanage grounds, close by, on the south side, of the Duke Building. Superintendent Proctor and locals welcomed the Masons and the ladies. The Grand Lodge officers and members of the visiting degree team were guests of Oxford Lodge at the "eatin."

Minutes recording the special communication of Adoniram Lodge No. 149, Cornwall, Granville County, held Saturday afternoon, September 14, 1940, will delight researchers of the future. They chronicle a circumstance that, so far as known, has no equal in the annals of North Carolina Masonry. The communication was a preliminary District Meeting of the Twentieth District which W. D. S. Johnson, District Deputy Grand Master, called at Cornwall, so that Adoniram might be host and have Brother David T. Winston and his six sons open and close the lodge.

When the set hour had arrived, the lodge room was cleared and the seven Winstons, as did our ancient brethren, opened Adoniram Lodge with the following as officers:

C. D. Winston, W.M.	P. H. Winston, S.D.
F. A. Winston, S.W.	G. T. Winston, J.D.
R. W. Winston, J.W.	J. W. Winston, Tyler
D. T. Winston, Secy.	



GRANVILLE FATHER AND SIX SONS ARE MASONS

Surrounded by his six sons is Brother David T. Winston (center), of Northern Granville County, all of whom are Masons. From right to left the picture shows: Chas. D. Winston, Nelson, Va.; Dr. Pat H. Winston, Clarksville, Va.; Robert W. Winston, attorney, Oxford, N. C.; David T. Winston (father); George T. Winston, Virgilina, Va.; Francis A. Winston, Buffalo Junction, Va.; James W. Winston, Virgilina, Va. James W. Winston was raised in Oxford Lodge No. 122, April 29, as a courtesy to Adoniram No. 149.

An uncle, Brother J. W. Winston, another esteemed citizen of Granville, was present and could have served in official capacity if occasion had required. In the course of the days' proceedings, District Deputy Grand Master D. S. Johnson, presented Brother Dave Winston a Veteran's button, for half a century's continuous membership and service, and a Twenty-five year Service Certificate to Brother J. W. Winston, who was raised 33 years ago.

The Winstons had rehearsed for the opening and closing ceremonies, District Deputy Grand Master Johnson having had several coaching sessions with them, and the family functioning was no mere gesture. They did the work well, making few "slips".

Brother Winston paid an unconscious tribute to Masonry and incidentally to himself when he said that he did not ask a single one of his six sons to petition for the degrees; they did so truly of their "own free will and accord."

Adoniram has a membership of 38. W. G. W. Hart is Master and Bro. M. W. Clement, Secretary. After the meeting Senator John S. Watkins, who has been a Mason for 39 years, was induced to reminisce a little about some of the prominent Granvillians who were active in Adoniram from 1890 to 1910. Among them were Brethren G. W. Wat-

kins, J. A. Watkins, J. R. Hunt, M. S. Daniel, Thomas Overbey, L. S. Elliott, J. B. Elliott, J. F. Hart, George Pittard, R. T. Pittard, Rev. R. I. Devin, Dr. R. H. Marsh.

After the communication was over and a group picture taken the attendants motored about five miles to the Oak Hill School grounds. The setting here is picturesque, the handsome rural school building being on a little knoll that surveys slightly surroundings. In the Home Economics building nearby the ladies served, as a project, one of the most abundant, best prepared and varied repasts the hungry crowd had ever eaten. The menu was a combination of the best that scientific cooking and the "old fashioned country" cooking can offer. The coffee was rich and of the best brand, such as you rarely find even in expensive hostelryes. The country ham, fried chicken with the "et ceteras"—your best imagination could not lead you astray.

Then to the school auditorium where pictures of the Orphanage and the Home were exhibited. Although there was an important meeting at Stovall, a very large audience gathered at Oak Hill. District Deputy Grand Master Johnson introduced Superintendent Proctor of the Orphanage who made explanatory remarks in connection with the pictures. The attention was close and Oh's and Ah's of pleasure and surprise were heard in various parts of the auditorium. The Oak Hill community instinctively has an interest in the things that count most and they naturally enjoyed and appreciated the movies. Many of them had their small children with them and there were many students of the school present.

Members of Adoniram Lodge No. 149, A. F. & A. M., located at Cornwall, N. C., their families and friends met in Mountain Creek Baptist Church on Saturday night, August 5, 1950, for the purpose of honoring twelve masons who have loyally supported the craft for many years. Eleven members of this lodge received certificates from the Grand Lodge for having been in continuous membership for twenty-five or more years. One good brother whose service record covers a period of fifty years was awarded the Veteran's Emblem.

The program began with a piano prelude by Mrs. Grady I. Carriker, rendered in a most entertaining manner.

Prayer was offered by Rev. and Brother J. U. Teague, pastor of the church. District Deputy Grand Master James



GROUP TAKEN IN FRONT OF ADONIRAM LODGE 149, CORNWALL

In the front row are Brother David T. Winston, his six sons and a brother, reading from left to right: D. T. Winston, C. D. Winston, Dr. P. H. Winston, R. W. Winston, G. T. Winston, F. A. Winston, J. W. Winston, and J. W. Winston, Sr. Other recognizable faces from left to right at the back are: J. A. Timberlake, Rev. J. U. Teague, D. S. Johnson, D. F. Lanier, J. S. Watkins, W. A. Trotter, M. M. Fitzgerald, R. L. Eakes, Robert Noblin, J. J. Moore, Macon Clement, Alex Overton, W. E. Yancey, C. B. Loftis, Joe Hunt and George Hart. The picture was taken at a District Meeting, September 14, 1940. The Win-
stons opened and closed the lodge at this meeting.

W. Green, Roxboro, introduced the guest speaker, M. W. Wallace E. Caldwell, Chapel Hill, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina.

The Grand Master began by telling the ladies present that he was going to tell them something of the secrets of masonry, since that would probably be the only way they would ever be able to find out anything about them.

At the beginning of his remarks, Grand Master Caldwell asked this question: What is there about masonry to make a man continue his membership in the organization for twenty-five, fifty years or even longer? His answer was that a man becomes a Mason by passing through a series of ceremonies. When he first enters a Masonic Lodge he finds something different than has ever been known to him before. Something has happened to change his whole life. He meets men whom he has known for years, but instead of being referred to by such titles as "Mr.", "Doctor", "Senator", or even by his first name, those Masons call him "Brother". There is a force which binds them to him. Perhaps he has known them for years, even considering some of them among his closest friends, but somehow after becoming a Mason he is aware of a closer relationship than he had ever realized. The real secret of Masonry lies in this fact. It cannot be adequately described, but Masons know it is there. They are proud to call each other "Brother," regardless of high stations in life, positions of honor, or other such attainments.

Masonry, said the speaker, is a philosophy of life. It teaches men to make their lives as beautiful as possible, and at the same time as useful as they can. All down through the ages, Masonry has taught men to be useful to their fellow-men. Unselfish service to others has always been the watchword of a true Mason.

That which transcends all, stated the Grand Master, is that Masons believe there is a Supreme Being whose works will never die. We believe that our predecessors over there in Palestine knew that the living and true God existed. As Masons, we feel that without a belief in God there could be no Masonry. Only because we are sons of God can we be true brothers.

In conclusion, Most Worshipful Brother Caldwell called attention to the fact that in Masonry men of different creeds and tongues become united as brothers. We hear much today of universal peace, added the speaker, but the world will

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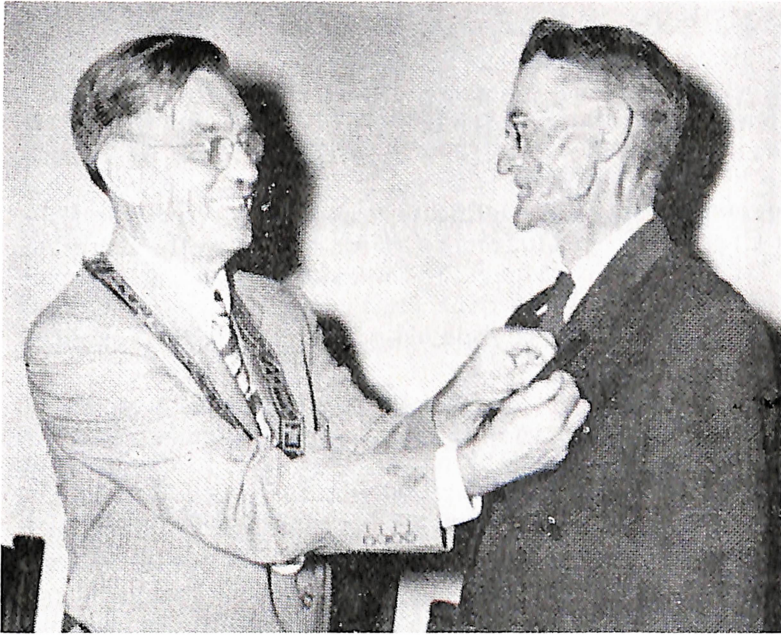
never know such an ideal condition until men are ready for it. Such a state will never be attained until people all over the universe recognize that God is the father of us all, and that all men are brothers. God grant that the day will come "when men shall beat their swords into plowshares," and a belief in the rule of the Prince of Peace shall be established all over the earth. Then and only then shall our lives be really worthwhile.

District Deputy Grand Master Green then presented 25-year certificates to the following members of Adoniram Lodge, who have been members for twenty-five consecutive years or more: Brothers Reuben Eakes, Dr. Julian Elliott, Charles B. Loftis, J. J. Moore, C. D. Winston, Dr. P. H. Winston, John Woods, and Lee Yancey. Three other members entitled to these certificates, but who were not present to receive them are: Brothers Wallace Clement, Dr. R. L. Noblin and Marsh Puckett.



TWENTY-FIVE-YEAR MEMBERS
OF ADONIRAM LODGE NO. 149—August 5, 1950

Front Row (left to right): J. J. Moore, Reuben Eakes, Dr. P. H. Winston, C. D. Winston, John Woods. Back Row (left to right): Grand Master Caldwell, guest speaker of the evening, Dr. J. C. Elliott, Charles D. Loftin, Lee J. Yancey. (Wallace Clement, Dr. R. L. Noblin and Marsh Puckett were not present when picture was taken).



Brother William D. Watkins, Oldest Living Member of Adoniram Lodge No. 149, Receives Fifty-Year Veteran's Emblem from Grand Master Caldwell, August 5, 1950.

It is interesting to note that three members of Adoniram Lodge thus honored are physicians. It would seem that the medical profession is well represented on the roster of this small lodge.

The Grand Master called Brother William D. Watkins, oldest living members of Adoniram Lodge, to the front, and with a few highly commendatory remarks, presented to him the Fifty-Year Veteran's Emblem in the name of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Brother Watkins' daughter and granddaughter assisted in the presentation.

Brother Grady I. Carriker presented to Most Worshipful Brother Caldwell a certificate of honorary membership in Adoniram Lodge No. 149. The Grand Master's response was that he considered it a very fine thing to be honored by one's fellow in such lodges as Adoniram, because he felt that in this small community true Masonry is being exemplified daily.

The congregation joined in singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds", after which the Rev. and brother A. D. Leon

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Gray, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, delivered the closing prayer and benediction.

It was in 1939 that the lodge was wired for lights. Some of the same problems still remained in the lodge—money. By a vote the lodge in 1941 had the lights turned off because the bill was too high. As things begin to look up the lights were turned back on. It was on May 2, 1942 that the lodge discussed whether to lease or sell the lower floor to Grassy Creek, Mountain Creek, and Averette Churches to be used as a parsonage. If the lodge agreed the churches would use the bottom floor for twenty-five years at \$1.00 per year. It can not be founded whether the lodge agreed to it or not.

It was in 1946 that the lodge recommended some children to the Oxford Orphanage. During September of 1948 the highway department moved the lodge to the present location because of the new highway that would be built.

On December 8, 1952, the lodge celebrated its 100th anniversary with brother A. D. Leon Gray as speaker. There was a large crowd present and was enjoyed by all members. Since that event the lodge has made progress in more ways than can be explained.

This is a letter from brother Tom Morgan expressing his feelings toward Adoniram Lodge. "Adoniram Lodge holds fond memories for me, as well as having great sentimental value. My grandfather on my mother's side, Mr. W. P. Wilkinson, was a member of this lodge, and he made an Apron which I am sending you a copy of. The copy is not too good; however, I think you can tell something about it from it. This Apron made from a lamb that he raised on his farm (the Propus Wilkinson farm), and he tanned the hide and painted the symbolic emblems on it himself, I am told. My father, Robert L. Morgan, was raised with this Apron on January 19, 1929 in Adoniram Lodge; and I was raised in 1961 using this same Apron in Adoniram Lodge."

This article was taken from the Oxford Public Ledger Editorial written by Tom Johnson on November 17, 1967.

"Little Known Facts. . . There is a community in Haywood County. . . Mount Sterling-Waterville. . . which lies adjacent to the Tennessee line. . . until recently, there was only one road that connected Waterville with the remainder of North Carolina. . . that road is N. C. 284, an unpaved two-



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lane road, which weaves through the Great Smoky National Park. . .the road is impassable in inclement weather. . .high school students attended a school in Tennessee. . .elementary students attend a one room schoolhouse. . .said to be one of three left in the state. . .interstate 40, to be completed in 1968, will touch Waterville, bringing the community in touch with the rest of the world. . .closer home, we have an idea that there are as many North Carolinians as Virginia residents who get their mail through the Virgilina, Va. postoffice. . .and a slough of them with a Nelson, Va. address live in Granville County. . .not many alive today remember when there was a post office at Berea, another at Adoniram. . .About the only thing that most of us know about Adoniram today is that it is the home of a Masonic lodge by that name. . .and that there was a time when five

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members of the family of the late D. T. Winston could open the lodge without any other members in attendance. . .some day, you may wish to visit Adoniram. . .and stop at Water-ville for a Coke. . .ah, a good suggestion for the moment."

On July 24, 1968, Grand Master Robert N. Bass, Jr. presented Brother James W. Winston his 25 year pin and certificate during ceremonies at Oxford Lodge No. 122.

CHAPTER III

OFFICERS OF ADONIRAM LODGE NO. 149, 1852-1968

YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1852	L. B. Stone	J. E. Montague	J. H. White	J. L. Overby	Lewis Garner
1853	L. B. Stone	J. E. Montague	Lewis Garner	J. L. Overby	Robert D. Puryear
1854	James H. Strum	D. S. Wilkerson	John L. Overby	L. B. Stone	Lewis Garner
1855	John L. Overby	R. D. Puryear	T. J. Pittard	L. B. Stone	Lewis Garner
1856	James H. Strum	R. D. Puryear	T. J. Pittard	L. B. Stone	Lewis Garner
1857	John L. Overby	R. D. Puryear	A. J. Chandler	L. B. Stone	Lewis Garner
1858	L. B. Stone	G. W. Pittard	Dr. T. A. Ridout	J. L. Overby	J. M. Overby
1859	John L. Overby	G. W. Pittard	Dr. T. A. Ridout	R. L. Barnett	Lewis Garner
1860	J. L. Overby	G. W. Pittard	T. J. Pittard	B. T. Winston	Lewis Garner
1861-1866	Civil War				
1866	Dr. J. F. Clack	J. S. Overby	G. W. Pittard	Wm. S. Gordan	B. T. Winston
1867	Dr. J. F. Clack	J. S. Overby	G. W. Pittard	James H. White	B. T. Winston
1868	Dr. J. F. Clack	John S. Overby	Tom Y. Harrison	Joe H. White	B. T. Winston
1869	G. W. Pittard	G. W. Watkins	L. B. Stone	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
SENIOR DEACON		JUNIOR DEACON	STEWARD	STEWARD	TYLER
1852	J. C. Garner	A. J. Chandler			G. W. Pittard
1853	J. H. Strum	J. L. Garner			G. W. Pittard
1854	P. W. Young	A. J. Chandler		G. W. Pittard	James B. Ellinson
1855	John C. Garner	R. T. Beasley			Wm. E. Royster
1856	John L. Overbey	A. J. Chandler			James B. Ellinson
1857	D. T. Wilkerson	Dr. T. A. Ridout			James B. Ellinson
1858	R. J. Barnett	B. T. Winston			R. D. Morgan
1859	B. T. Winston	A. J. Chandler			R. D. Morgan
1860	D. T. Wilkerson	R. D. Puryear			James B. Ellinson
1861-1866	Civil War				
1866	F. B. Hester	G. W. Watkins			J. M. Overbey
1867	G. W. Watkins	H. Y. Allen			Capt. F. B. Hester
1868	G. W. Watkins	H. Y. Allen			Capt. F. B. Hester
1869	H. T. Hester	M. L. Daniel			A. T. Newton

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YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1870	G. W. Pittard	G. W. Watkins	L. B. Stone	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
1871	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	H. J. Hester	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
1872	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	H. J. Hester	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
1873	G. W. Watkins	L. F. Elliott	M. S. Daniel	J. A. Watkins	B. T. Winston
1874	G. W. Watkins	L. F. Elliott	H. J. Hester	J. A. Watkins	B. T. Winston
1875	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	L. S. Elliott	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
1876	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	B. T. Winston	J. A. Watkins	T. J. Overbey
1877	G. W. Watkins	L. F. Elliott	W. S. Holloway	J. A. Watkins	J. Y. Allen
1878	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	B. T. Winston	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
1879	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	L. S. Elliott	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
1880	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	B. T. Winston	J. A. Watkins	J. F. Clack
1881	G. W. Watkins	B. T. Winston	G. W. Pittard	J. A. Watkins	H. Y. Allen
1882	G. W. Watkins	B. T. Winston	G. W. Pittard	J. A. Watkins	H. Y. Allen
1883	G. W. Watkins	B. T. Winston	G. W. Pittard	J. A. Watkins	H. Y. Allen
1884	G. W. Watkins	B. T. Winston	G. W. Pittard	J. A. Watkins	H. Y. Allen
SENIOR DEACON					
1870	H. T. Hester	JUNIOR DEACON			
1871	L. B. Stone	M. L. Daniel	STEWARD		
1872	B. T. Winston	James Elliott	STEWARD		
1873	L. S. Elliott	L. J. Elliott	M. L. Daniel	A. L. Newton	TYLER
1874	L. B. Stone	L. B. Stone	J. F. Clack	T. J. Overbey	A. T. Newton
1875	B. T. Winston	L. S. Elliott	A. S. Newton	T. S. Hart	H. S. Newton
1876	B. T. Winston	Robert Hester	A. S. Newton	T. S. Hart	Robert Hester
1877	B. T. Winston	L. S. Elliott	M. S. Daniel	T. J. Overbey	A. S. Newton
1878	Robert Williams	L. S. Elliott	L. B. Daniel	T. J. Overbey	L. B. Hester
1879	Robert Williams	M. S. Daniel	James Elliott	T. J. Overbey	F. B. Hester
1880	Robert Williams	M. S. Daniel	James Elliott	T. J. Overbey	F. B. Hester
1881	James Elliott	M. S. Daniel	T. J. Overbey	A. S. Newton	F. B. Hester
1882	Robert Williams	Robert Hester	F. B. Hester	M. S. Daniel	L. F. Elliott
1883	Robert Williams	L. S. Elliott	B. F. Hester	M. S. Daniel	L. F. Elliott
1884	J. T. Pittard	L. S. Elliott	B. F. Hester	M. S. Daniel	L. F. Elliott

YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1885-1887					
1888	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	L. S. Elliott	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1889					
1890	G. W. Watkins	B. T. Winston	L. S. Elliott	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1891	G. W. Watkins	G. W. Pittard	B. T. Winston	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1892	G. W. Watkins	James T. Hart	James R. Hart	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1893	G. W. Watkins	J. T. Hart	J. R. Hart	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1894	J. T. Hart	L. S. Elliott	J. R. Hart	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1895	J. T. Hart	B. T. Winston	J. R. Hart	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1896	J. T. Hart	B. T. Winston	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1897	J. R. Hart	B. T. Winston	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1898	J. R. Hart	L. S. Elliott	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1899	J. R. Hart	J. T. Hart	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1900	J. R. Hart	J. T. Hart	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
1901	J. R. Hart	Dr. G. S. Watkins	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	M. S. Daniel
SENIOR DEACON					
1885-1887					
1888	B. T. Winston	T. J. Pittard	Robert Hester	J. R. Hart	F. B. Hester
1889					
1890	G. W. Pittard	T. J. Pittard	Robert Hester	William Baker	F. B. Hester
1891	T. J. Pittard	J. R. Hart	William Baker	J. T. Hart	F. B. Hester
1892	B. T. Winston	R. T. Pittard	John D. Ramsey	William Baker	F. B. Hester
1893	B. T. Winston	L. S. Elliott	J. D. Ramsey	J. N. Watkins	F. B. Hester
1894	B. T. Winston	R. T. Pittard	J. N. Watkins	J. B. Elliott	F. B. Hester
1895	G. W. Watkins	T. N. Watkins	J. D. Ramsey	J. B. Elliott	F. B. Hester
1896	J. D. Ramsey	J. N. Watkins	J. B. Elliott	O. S. Hudson	F. B. Hester
1897	George W. Watkins	Robert T. Pittard	J. D. Ramsey	James B. Elliott	Francis B. Hester
1898	G. W. Watkins	R. T. Pittard	J. B. Elliott	J. D. Ramsey	F. B. Hester
1899	R. T. Pittard	W. C. Daniel	J. B. Elliott	S. M. Watkins	H. A. Hart
1900	G. W. Watkins	R. T. Pittard	W. D. Watkins	R. S. Hart	H. A. Hart
1901	J. T. Hart	L. S. Elliott	J. B. Elliott	R. T. Pittard	H. A. Hart
TYLER					
STEWARD					

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YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1902	J. R. Hart	Dr. G. S. Watkins	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	J. S. Watkins
1903	J. R. Hart	Dr. G. S. Watkins	J. N. Watkins	J. A. Watkins	J. S. Watkins
1904	J. T. Hart	J. N. Watkins	H. A. Hart	J. A. Watkins	J. S. Watkins
1905	J. T. Hart	J. N. Watkins	H. A. Hart	J. A. Watkins	J. S. Watkins
1906	J. T. Hart	J. N. Watkins	H. A. Hart	J. A. Watkins	J. S. Watkins
1907	H. A. Hart	J. S. Watkins	R. T. Pittard	D. T. Winston	J. W. Winston, Sr.
1908	J. S. Watkins	J. T. Hart	R. T. Pittard	J. N. Watkins	W. D. Watkins
1909	J. S. Watkins	J. T. Hart	R. T. Pittard	J. N. Watkins	W. D. Watkins
1910	J. T. Hart	G. W. Hart	W. E. Yancey	J. N. Watkins	R. L. Eakes
1911	J. T. Hart	G. W. Hart	W. E. Yancey	J. N. Watkins	J. S. Watkins
1912	J. T. Hart	W. E. Yancey	J. A. Hart	J. N. Watkins	J. S. Watkins
1913	J. T. Hart	W. E. Yancey	J. A. Hart	G. C. Hobgood	J. S. Watkins
1914	J. T. Hart	W. E. Yancey	G. C. Hobgood	G. W. Hart	J. S. Watkins
1915	J. T. Hart	S. C. Hart	G. C. Hobgood	G. W. Hart	J. S. Watkins
1916	W. E. Yancey	S. C. Hart	G. W. Hart	J. T. Hart	J. S. Watkins
SENIOR DEACON	JUNIOR DEACON	STEWARDS	STEWARDS	TYLER	
1902	J. T. Hart	L. S. Elliott	C. B. Wilkerson	W. C. Daniel	H. A. Hart
1903	D. T. Winston	R. T. Pittard	R. S. Hart	C. B. Wilkerson	H. A. Hart
1904	R. T. Pittard	C. B. Wilkerson	L. S. Elliott	J. B. Elliott	G. W. Hart
1905	R. T. Pittard	C. B. Wilkerson	S. M. Watkins	W. C. Daniel	G. W. Hart
1906	R. T. Pittard	C. B. Wilkerson	S. M. Watkins	R. S. Hart	G. W. Hart
1907	C. B. Wilkerson	W. P. Wilkerson	J. B. Elliott	J. N. Watkins	G. W. Hart
1908	W. P. Wilkerson	J. A. Hart	W. E. Yancey	C. B. Wilkerson	G. W. Hart
1909	W. P. Wilkerson	J. A. Hart	A. L. Noblin	W. E. Yancey	G. W. Hart
1910	R. T. Pittard	A. L. Noblin	R. T. Pittard	J. A. Hart	J. A. Hart
1911	J. A. Hart	A. L. Noblin	G. W. Hart	R. S. Hart	C. H. Eakes
1912	R. T. Pittard	A. L. Noblin	J. B. Elliott	J. B. Elliott	G. C. Hobgood
1913	G. T. Callahan	R. M. Noblin	S. L. Noblin	S. L. Noblin	R. T. Pittard
1914	R. T. Pittard	S. L. Noblin	J. N. Watkins	S. C. Hart	C. H. Eakes
1915	R. T. Pittard	S. L. Noblin	A. L. Noblin	W. E. Yancey	C. H. Eakes
1916	R. T. Pittard	S. L. Noblin	A. L. Noblin	G. C. Hobgood	C. H. Eakes

YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1917	W. E. Yancey	S. C. Hart	G. W. Hart	J. T. Hart	J. S. Watkins
1918	J. T. Hart	G. W. Hart	Oscar Lloyd	W. E. Yancey	J. S. Watkins
1919	J. T. Hart	G. W. Hart	A. T. Pittard	J. S. Watkins	W. C. Allen
1920	G. W. Hart	G. C. Hobgood	S. L. Noblin	W. A. Boyd	R. T. Eakes
1921	G. W. Hart	J. A. Hart	A. T. Pittard	W. A. Boyd	R. T. Eakes
1922	G. W. Hart	A. T. Pittard	M. W. Clement	W. A. Boyd	R. T. Eakes
1923	A. T. Pittard	R. T. Eakes	S. C. Hart	W. A. Boyd	R. T. Eakes
1924	A. T. Pittard	L. J. Yancey	L. J. Yancey	G. W. Hart	M. W. Clement
1925	J. S. Watkins	L. J. Yancey	R. T. Eakes	G. W. Hart	M. W. Clement
1926	R. T. Eakes	L. J. Yancey	C. D. Winston	G. W. Hart	M. W. Clement
1927	C. D. Winston	J. U. Teague	John Woods	G. W. Hart	M. W. Clement
1928	C. D. Winston	J. U. Teague	John Woods	G. W. Hart	M. W. Clement
1929	J. U. Teague	J. W. Woods	W. A. Boyd	L. J. Yancey	A. T. Pittard
1930	G. W. Hart	R. L. Morgan	J. A. Timberlake	J. J. Moore	C. D. Winston
1931	G. W. Hart	J. A. Timberlake	W. L. Carrington	J. J. Moore	C. D. Winston
1932	G. W. Hart	J. A. Timberlake	W. L. Carrington	J. J. Moore	C. D. Winston
SENIOR DEACON					
1917	R. T. Pittard	S. L. Noblin	H. A. Hart	A. L. Noblin	C. H. Eakes
1918	R. T. Pittard	S. L. Noblin	G. C. Hobgood	A. L. Noblin	C. H. Eakes
1919	S. L. Noblin	A. T. Pittard	R. S. Hart	J. A. Adcock	W. C. Sharron
1920	A. T. Pittard	D. W. Newton	J. A. Adcock	J. D. Newton	S. C. Hart
1921	M. W. Clement	J. A. Adcock	J. S. Watkins	H. A. Hart	J. J. Hart
1922	S. C. Hart	J. A. Adcock			J. J. Hart
1923	S. L. Noblin	A. T. Pittard			J. J. Hart
1924	J. S. Watkins	S. L. Noblin	C. B. Loftis	L. J. Yancey	C. B. Loftis
1925	A. T. Pittard	W. A. Boyd	John Woods	J. J. Moore	C. B. Loftis
1926	A. T. Pittard	W. A. Boyd	S. L. Noblin	J. J. Moore	C. B. Loftis
1927	A. T. Pittard	W. A. Boyd	C. B. Loftis	John Woods	J. J. Moore
1928	A. T. Pittard	W. A. Boyd	J. J. Hart	C. B. Loftis	J. J. Moore
1929	G. W. Hart	C. D. Winston	C. B. Loftis	R. L. Morgan	S. C. Hart
1930	W. E. Cannady	F. A. Winston			J. J. Moore
1931	A. T. Pittard	F. A. Winston			C. B. Loftis
1932	L. J. Yancey	F. A. Winston			C. B. Loftis
TYLER					
					C. H. Eakes
					C. H. Eakes
					W. C. Sharron
					S. C. Hart
					J. J. Hart
					J. J. Hart
					C. B. Loftis
					C. B. Loftis
					J. J. Moore
					J. J. Moore
					S. C. Hart
					J. J. Moore
					C. B. Loftis
					C. B. Loftis
					C. B. Loftis

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YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1933	J. A. Timberlake	W. L. Carrington	F. A. Winston	J. J. Moore	C. D. Winston
1934	W. L. Carrington	F. A. Winston	J. J. Moore	R. L. Morgan	C. D. Winston
1935	G. W. Hart	J. J. Moore	M. W. Clement	C. D. Winston	J. A. Timberlake
1936	J. J. Moore	C. D. Winston	M. W. Clement	R. L. Morgan	J. A. Timberlake
1937	G. W. Hart	J. J. Moore	M. W. Clement	R. L. Morgan	J. A. Timberlake
1938	G. W. Hart	C. D. Winston	R. W. Winston	J. J. Moore	J. A. Timberlake
1939	F. A. Winston	R. W. Winston	M. W. Clement	J. J. Moore	J. A. Timberlake
1940	G. W. Hart	F. A. Winston	W. L. Carrington	J. J. Moore	M. W. Clement
1941	C. D. Winston	J. S. Watkins	J. W. Winston	J. J. Moore	J. A. Timberlake
1942	J. J. Moore	G. W. Hart	M. W. Clement	C. D. Winston	J. A. Timberlake
1943	G. W. Hart	J. J. Moore	M. W. Clement	C. D. Winston	J. A. Timberlake
1944	G. W. Hart	J. W. Winston	R. T. Eakes	C. D. Winston	J. J. Moore
1945	G. W. Hart	C. D. Winston	J. A. Timberlake	C. B. Loftis	J. J. Moore
1946	G. W. Hart	B. A. Yancey	A. H. Clark	H. N. Winston	J. J. Moore
1947	B. A. Yancey	A. H. Clark	R. A. Nelson	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
YEAR	SENIOR DEACON	JUNIOR DEACON	STEWARD	STEWARD	TYLER
1933	G. W. Hart	R. T. Eakes	M. W. Clement	C. B. Loftis	M. W. Clement
1934	J. A. Timberlake	G. T. Winston	W. L. Carrington	C. B. Loftis	G. W. Hart
1935	G. T. Winston	T. M. Wilborne	F. A. Winston	S. L. Noblin	R. L. Morgan
1936	T. M. Wilborne	R. T. Eakes	R. L. Eakes	R. T. Eakes	C. B. Loftis
1937	C. D. Winston	W. L. Carrington	W. L. Carrington	R. T. Eakes	G. T. Winston
1938	G. T. Winston	G. W. Hart	J. S. Watkins	R. T. Eakes	C. B. Loftis
1939	C. D. Winston	C. D. Winston	M. W. Clement	R. M. Noblin	C. B. Loftis
1940	J. A. Timberlake	R. L. Eakes	R. T. Eakes	R. M. Noblin	C. B. Loftis
1941	R. J. Noblin	J. W. Winston	J. S. Watkins	R. M. Noblin	C. B. Loftis
1942	R. J. Noblin	G. T. Winston	J. W. Winston	R. L. Eakes	C. B. Loftis
1943	J. S. Watkins	W. H. Sizemore	G. T. Winston	H. B. Tilley	G. T. Winston
1944	J. A. Timberlake	G. T. Winston	G. T. Winston		W. H. Sizemore
1945	B. A. Yancey				W. H. Sizemore
1946	R. A. Nelson				W. H. Sizemore
1947	S. M. Nelson				W. H. Sizemore

YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1948	B. A. Yancey	A. H. Clark	R. A. Nelson	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1949	B. A. Yancey	A. H. Clark	R. A. Nelson	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1950	A. H. Clark	R. A. Nelson	S. M. Nelson	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1951	A. H. Clark	R. A. Nelson	R. K. Hyler, Jr.	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1952	A. H. Clark	R. K. Hyler, Jr.	W. H. Sizemore	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1953	C. D. Winston	W. H. Sizemore	H. B. Tilley	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1954	W. H. Sizemore	H. B. Tilley	R. K. Hyler, Jr.	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1955	H. B. Tilley	R. K. Hyler, Jr.	H. F. Gill	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1956	R. K. Hyler, Jr.	H. F. Gill	A. H. Clark	R. C. Pittard	J. J. Moore
1957	H. F. Gill	A. H. Clark	B. A. Yancey	R. C. Pittard	R. K. Hyler, Jr.
1958	H. F. Gill	B. A. Yancey	L. W. Parham	R. C. Pittard	R. K. Hyler, Jr.
1959	B. A. Yancey	L. W. Parham	A. H. Clark	R. C. Pittard	R. K. Hyler, Jr.
1960	L. W. Parham	A. H. Clark	H. B. Tilley	R. C. Pittard	R. K. Hyler, Jr.
1961	L. W. Parham	H. B. Tilley	L. E. Davis	R. C. Pittard	R. K. Hyler, Jr.
1962	L. W. Parham	H. B. Tilley	L. E. Davis	R. C. Pittard	R. K. Hyler, Jr.
1963	L. E. Davis	P. T. Morgan	W. H. Sizemore	R. C. Pittard	R. K. Hyler, Jr.
SENIOR DEACON					
1948	S. M. Nelson	W. H. Sizemore	J. A. Timberlake	C. D. Winston	H. B. Tilley
1949	S. M. Nelson	W. H. Sizemore	J. A. Timberlake	C. D. Winston	H. B. Tilley
1950	W. H. Sizemore	H. B. Tilley	R. M. Noblin	C. D. Winston	H. N. Winston
1951	W. H. Sizemore	H. B. Tilley	R. M. Noblin	C. D. Winston	H. N. Winston
1952	H. B. Tilley	C. D. Winston	R. M. Noblin	C. B. Loftis	S. M. Loftis
1953	R. K. Hyler, Jr.	S. M. Loftis	D. M. Larkins	A. H. Clark	R. A. Nelson
1954	S. M. Loftis	H. F. Gill	R. A. Nelson	A. H. Clark	C. B. Loftis
1955	A. H. Clark	B. A. Yancey	R. A. Nelson	W. H. Sizemore	H. N. Winston
1956	B. A. Yancey	R. A. Nelson	C. D. Winston	W. H. Sizemore	H. N. Winston
1957	C. D. Winston	L. W. Parham	H. N. Winston	W. H. Sizemore	H. B. Tilley
1958	A. H. Clark	H. B. Tilley	C. D. Winston	W. H. Sizemore	H. N. Winston
1959	H. B. Tilley	L. E. Davis	C. D. Winston	W. H. Sizemore	H. N. Winston
1960	L. E. Davis	P. T. Morgan	H. N. Winston	W. H. Sizemore	C. D. Winston
1961	Paul T. Morgan	W. H. Sizemore	A. H. Clark	B. A. Yancey	H. N. Winston
1962	P. T. Morgan	W. H. Sizemore	A. H. Clark	B. A. Yancey	H. N. Winston
1963	G. H. Williams	H. L. Culbreth	H. T. Gill	B. A. Yancey	R. W. Newton
TYLER					

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YEAR	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN	TREASURER
1964	L. E. Davis	G. H. Williams	B. J. Neal	R. C. Pittard
1965	G. H. Williams	B. J. Neal	W. S. Young	R. C. Pittard
1966	G. H. Williams	B. J. Neal	W. S. Young	R. C. Pittard
1967	B. J. Neal	L. E. Davis	R. W. Newton	R. C. Pittard
1968	L. E. Davis	R. W. Newton	R. L. Winston	R. C. Pittard
SECRETARY				
				R. K. Hyler, Jr.
				R. K. Hyler, Jr.
				R. K. Hyler, Jr.
				R. K. Hyler, Jr.
				B. J. Neal
TYLER				
				H. B. Tilley
				W. H. Sizemore
				W. H. Sizemore
				H. B. Tilley
				H. B. Tilley
STEWARDS				
				B. A. Yancey
				H. N. Winston
				H. N. Winston
				A. P. Coats, Jr.
				H. N. Winston
SENIOR DEACONS				
				B. A. Yancey
				H. B. Tilley
				H. B. Tilley
				W. F. Perkins
				B. A. Yancey
JUNIOR DEACONS				
				B. A. Yancey
				H. B. Tilley
				H. B. Tilley
				W. F. Perkins
				B. A. Yancey



1968 OFFICERS OF ADONIRAM LODGE NO. 149

First row: A. P. Coats, Jr., Senior Deacon; R. W. Newton, Senior Warden; L. E. Davis, Master; R. L. Winston, Junior Warden; W. F. Perkins, Junior Deacon. Second row: H. N. Winston, Steward; A. H. Clark, Chaplain; H. B. Tilley, Tyler; J. A. Timberlake, Marshal. Back row: R. C. Pittard, Treasurer; B. A. Yancy, Steward; B. J. Neal, Secretary.

CHAPTER IV

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

The following roster consists of 238 masons who are or have been members of Adoniram Lodge No. 149 since its organization in 1852. Since the lodge burned and from the records presently available it is impossible to be absolutely positive that every single member has been included. The masonic information relative to each member are dates each of the three degrees were obtained.

NAME	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED
Adcock, J. A.-----	3- 8-1919	6- 7-1919	6-21-1919
Adcock, J. B.-----	12- 9-1900	12-21-1900	12-28-1900
Allen, H. Y.-----	1866	1866	1866
Allen, Ralph C.-----	3- 2-1944	5-19-1944	5-26-1945
Allen, W. C.-----	3-23-1918	2-12-1919	3-18-1919
Arringdale, H. L.-----			6-21-1902
Bahomman, A. P.-----	2- 8-1908	3- 7-1908	10-11-1908
Baker, William-----		9- -1887	10-10-1889
Barnett, Robert J.-----	1856	1856	1856
Beasley, Robert T.-----	1853	1853	1853
Beasley, Stephen, Jr.-----	1853	1853	1853
Blackwell, Lewis G.-----	3- 3-1948	11-26-1949	2-25-1950
Bottenhill, J. D.-----	7- 7-1900	8-11-1900	8-18-1900
Bottenhill, J. J.-----		12- 8-1900	5-11-1901
Boyd, Melvin L.-----	12-27-1952	2-28-1953	4-25-1953
Boyd, W. A.-----	4-26-1918	5-10-1919	6-21-1919
Buddell, W. T.-----	6- 7-1902	6-21-1902	9-13-1902
Callahan, G. T.-----	2- 8-1913	3- 8-1913	6- 7-1913
Capps, Earl Allen-----	2- 7-1956	3- 6-1956	4- 3-1956
Carrington, T. W.-----		12-22-1928	12-29-1928
Carrington, W. L.-----	2- 8-1930	2-22-1930	3- 8-1930
Chandler, A. J.-----	1852	1852	1852
Clack, J. F. Dr.-----	1866	1866	1866
Clack, James-----	1866	1866	1866
Clack, Rufus-----	1866	1866	1866
Clack, William-----	1866	1866	1866
Clark, Atkins-----	9-21-1946	11- 2-1946	11-23-1946
Clement, J. W.-----	12-13-1919	1-24-1920	3-13-1920
Clement, W. S.-----	12-11-1921	12-18-1921	12-27-1921
Clise, W. L.-----		11-20-1907	12-22-1907
Coats, Amos Pou, Jr.-----	5-10-1965	8- 3-1965	1- 4-1966
Culbreth, Harold Lee-----	7- 1-1958	8- 5-1958	9- 7-1958
Curran, J. B.-----	1873	1873	1873
Daniel, L. B.-----	1873	1873	1873
Daniel, M. L.-----	1866	1866	1866
Daniel, N. C.-----	5- 7-1898	6-11-1898	8-13-1898
Daniel, W. C.-----	5- 7-1898	6-11-1898	9-24-1898
Davis, Lawrence E.-----	2-10-1958	4-19-1958	6- 7-1958
Devin, R. J. Rev.-----	1872	1872	1872
Downey, T. D. Dr.-----	9- 8-1900	12- 8-1900	4-15-1901

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NAME	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED
Downey, G. M. P.-----	1857	1857	1857
Duncan, H. -----	1871	1871	1871
Eakes, C. H.-----	4-10-1909	4-10-1909	12-21-1909
Eakes, R. L.-----	7-11-1908	8-15-1908	9-29-1908
Eakes, R. T.-----		1-24-1920	2-16-1920
Eleron, James B.-----	1852	1852	1852
Elliott, Earl L.-----	6-30-1945	4-27-1946	5-25-1946
Elliott, James B.-----	1881	1881	1881
Elliott, James -----	1856	1856	1856
Elliott, James Rogers-----	11-15-1967	2- 6-1968	3- 5-1968
Elliott, J. C.-----	8-12-1922	8-19-1922	8-26-1922
Elliott, L. B.-----	11- 8-1879	8-10-1880	2- 7-1881
Elliott, L. F.-----	12-21-1868	3-14-1868	4-12-1868
Elliott, L. P.-----	5-10-1919	6- 7-1919	7-21-1919
Elliott, L. S.-----	1866	1866	1866
Elliott, Robert-----	1866	1866	1866
Hester, James -----	1852	1852	1852
Ellison, James B.-----	1852	1852	1852
Evans, Marvin M.-----	3- 2-1945	12- 1-1945	5- 5-1946
Ezell, Hartwell P.-----	1853	1853	1853
Frazier, E. D.-----	12- 8-1928	12-22-1928	12-22-1928
Frazier, T. F.-----	5-12-1900	6- 9-1900	7- 7-1900
Frazier, Willie L.-----	3- 2-1945	12- 1-1945	5- 5-1946
Garner, J. C.-----	1852	1852	1852
Garner, Lewis -----	1852	1852	1852
Gill, Henry F.-----	11-28-1953	12-26-1953	1-23-1954
Gill, Horace T.-----	2- 5-1963	3- 5-1963	4- 2-1963
Gorden, A. H.-----	1866	1866	1866
Gorden, William S.-----	1866	1866	1866
Harris, J. G. -----			12-27-1919
Harris, Lee Jarvis-----	7-31-1954	2-26-1955	4-30-1955
Harrison, Tommy -----	1866	1866	1866
Hart, G. W.-----	4-11-1903	6-27-1903	8- 8-1903
Eakes, Charlie -----	3- 7-1908		
Hart, H. A.-----	10-29-1838		
Hart, James -----	1872	1872	1872
Hart, H. A.-----	10- 8-1898	10-19-1898	10-29-1898
Hart, James A.-----	9- 7-1907	10- 5-1907	10-12-1907
Hart, J. E.-----	12-13-1919	1-24-1920	3-13-1920
Hart, James J.-----			12-18-1921
Hart, James T.-----	4-11-1890	6- 7-1890	6-21-1890
Hart, Jewel J.-----		1-20-1920	3- 6-1920
Hart, J. R.-----	1872	1872	1872
Hart, John R.-----	1855	1855	1855
Hart, R. S.-----	12- 9-1900	12-23-1900	12-28-1900
Hart, S. C.-----			10-12-1913
Hart, T. S.-----	1875	1875	1875
Hendricks, A. W.-----	1-21-1892	1-23-1892	1-23-1892
Hester, A. J.-----	1867	1867	1867
Hester, F. B. Capt.-----	1866	1866	1866
Hester, Henry J.-----	1860	1860	1860
Hester, H. J.-----	1869	1869	1869

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NAME	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED
Hester, Robert -----	4-16-1870	5-14-1870	7-16-1870
Hobgood, G. C. -----	3-11-1911	6-10-1911	12-27-1911
Holloway, Robert -----	1873	1873	1873
Holloway, Samuel -----	1852	1852	1852
Holloway, W. S. -----	1873	1873	1873
Hudson, J. J. -----	7-11-1914	8- 8-1914	2-12-1915
Hudson, O. S. -----		3-11-1893	1893 Admitted
Hunt, William G. -----	9-21-1946	12-21-1946	1-11-1947
Hunt, J. W. -----	4-20-1871	9-16-1871	10-14-1871
Hyler, Robert K. -----	11-17-1950	1-27-1951	1-19-1952
Jones, A. L. -----	2- 8-1902	4-12-1902	6-21-1902
Jones, H. S. -----			4-15-1901
Jones, J. P. -----	1874	1874	1874
Jones, J. R. -----	6-23-1906	7- 7-1906	8-10-1906
Jones, R. C. -----			8-10-1901
Jones, R. C. -----		11- 9-1902	6-21-1902
Jones, W. E. -----	5-10-1905	6-10-1905	7-12-1905
King, John -----	1873	1873	1873
Kittrell, Job -----	1870	1870	1870
Licurgus, Thomas -----	10-31-1881	9- 6-1882	9- 7-1882
Loftis, C. B. -----	11-11-1922	12- 9-1922	12-27-1922
Loftis, Shirley M. -----	3-10-1950	4-13-1950	5-27-1950
Loyd, Osctr -----	6- 9-1916	3- 9-1918	4- 9-1918
Loyd, R. B. -----	8-10-1901	8-17-1901	10-19-1901
Mabe, Coy E. -----	3-10-1945	3-24-1945	4-17-1945
Marshall, Jessie Rev. -----	3-23-1946		
Mollett, J. P. Rev. -----	1852	1852	1852
Montague, J. E. -----	1852	1852	1852
Montague, J. Mc -----	1852	1852	1852
Montague, G. B. Dr. -----	1852	1852	1852
Morgan, Robert D. -----	1856	1856	1856
Morgan, Paul Thomas -----	10- 4-1960	11- 1-1960	12- 6-1960
Morgan, Robert L. -----	12-22-1928	12-29-1928	1-19-1929
Moore, T. C. -----	4-13-1912	11- 9-1912	12-27-1912
Moore, J. J. -----	2- 9-1924	2-23-1924	3- 8-1924
Neal, Ben J. -----	2- 8-1964	3- 3-1964	4- 7-1964
Nelson, A. H. -----	8- 5-1908	6-12-1909	6-19-1909
Nelson, Robert A. -----	3-10-1945	3-24-1945	4- 7-1945
Nelson, Matt S. -----	3-10-1945	3-24-1945	4- 7-1945
Newton, A. R. -----	1886	1866	1866
Newton, A. T. -----	1869	1869	1869
Newton, A. S. -----	1871	1871	1871
Newton, D. W. -----	12-13-1919	12-22-1919	12-27-1919
Newton, J. D. -----	1-10-1920	1-24-1920	2- 6-1920
Newton, Raymond Wayne -----	3-26-1963	5- 7-1963	6- 4-1963
Noblin, A. L. -----	2-12-1909	6-12-1909	6-19-1909
Noblin, S. L. -----	2-11-1911	6-10-1911	7- 8-1911
Noblin, R. M. -----	8-12-1911	9-12-1911	12- 9-1911
Noblin, Roy L. Dr. -----	8-13-1921	8-27-1921	9-10-1921
Noblin, Robert J. -----	9-25-1940	11- 5-1940	12-11-1940
Norwood, Leonard H. -----	1853	1853	1853
Norwood Claude -----	6-11-1904	6-24-1904	8-27-1904

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NAME	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED
Norwood, Ballard Dr.	5- 1-1945		
Overby, J. I.	1852	1852	1852
Overby, James M.	1857	1857	1857
Overby, James S.	1866	1866	1866
Overby, John S.	1853	1853	1853
Overby, T. J.	1873	1873	1873
Overby, Warren	1869	1869	3-20-1869
Parham, Lewis W.	11- 6-1956	12- 4-1956	1- 1-1957
Peace, Thomas F.	1856	1856	1856
Perkins, Willie F.	2-12-1966	4- 5-1966	5- 3-1966
Pettus, John P.	1856	1856	1856
Pittard, A. T.	4-26-1918	5-10-1918	5-18-1918
Pittard, G. W.	1852	1852	1852
Pittard, Raleigh C.	7-19-1947	8-24-1947	9-27-1947
Pittard, R. T.	11- 7-1892	12- 5-1892	12-12-1892
Pittard, Thomas	1898	1898	1898
Pittard, Thomas J.	1852	1852	1852
Pleasants, E. A.	11- 2-1906	12- 8-1906	1-12-1907
Pool, W. P.	1866	1866	1866
Pool, T. G.	6- 7-1902	6-21-1902	9-13-1902
Pool, E. J.	8-18-1900	11- 7-1901	5-18-1902
Puckett, H. M.	5- 5-1918	5-11-1918	5-18-1918
Puryear, Horman	1853	1853	1853
Puryear, J. P.	4-11-1903	12-12-1903	12-13-1903
Puryear, Robert D.	1852	1852	1852
Ramsey, John D.	1-19-1892	1-23-1892	1-23-1892
Reed, J. H.	10-10-1891		
Rhode, John W.	3- 7-1891	5- 9-1891	8- 8-1892
Ridout, T. A. Dr.	1856	1856	1856
Rogers, J. S.	5-10-1902		
Royster, A. L.	5-11-1901	5-25-1901	6- 8-1901
Royster, William E.	1852	1852	1852
Rude, J. H.	12- 5-1891		
Sanford, Rosco	5-11-1907		
Sanderford, W. E.	2- 8-1902	4-11-1902	6-21-1902
Satterwhite, James M.	1853	1853	1853
Satterwhite, William	1853	1853	1853
Sharron, W. C.	4-26-1919	7-13-1919	11- 9-1919
Sizemore, W. H.	12- 2-1944	12-28-1944	1-20-1945
Stoodly, J. A. Rev.	1866	1866	1866
Stone, L. B.	1852	1852	1852
Stone, R. J.	1867	1867	1867
Stovall, John H.	1856	1856	1856
Strum, James H.	1852	1852	1852
Talley, T. C.	6-10-1916		
Teague, J. U.	1914	1914	9-15-1914
Teague, W. R.	2-21-1942	4- 4-1942	Henderson Lodge 229
Terrell, Issac W., Rev.	1-10-1948	11-27-1948	12-18-1948
Tilley, Herbert B.	4-26-1947	5-24-1947	6-21-1947
Timberlake, Jerry A.	2- 8-1930	2-22-1930	3- 8-1930
Tunstall, T. B.	1879	1879	1879
Vaughan, J. H.	2-10-1911	12-16-1911	12-29-1911

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NAME	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED
Venable, Samuel F., Dr.----	1852	1852	1852
Walker, Marshall -----	9-21-1946	10-26-1946	
Watkins, G. S.-----	6-11-1899	6-17-1899	6-23-1899
Watkins, G. T.-----	6-23-1888	9- 8-1888	9-15-1888
Watkins, G. W.-----	1866	1866	1866
Watkins, J. A.-----	1867	1867	1867
Watkins, Joe A.-----	8-23-1930	9- 6-1930	9-12-1930
Watkins, John N.-----	11- 7-1892	12- 5-1892	12-12-1892
Watkins, J. S.-----	5-11-1901	5-25-1901	6- 8-1901
Watkins, S. M.-----	4-15-1899	6-17-1899	6-23-1899
Watkins, W. D.-----	9- 9-1899	12-23-1899	12-28-1899
White, James H.-----	1852	1852	1852
Whitehurst, Guy L.-----	4-27-1946	5-25-1946	6-30-1946
Wilbourn, R. P.-----	1866	1866	1866
Wilbourn, T. M.-----	2-24-1934	3-19-1934	3-24-1934
Wiley, D. W.-----	10-16-1909	12-21-1909	2-12-1910
Wilkerson, C. B.-----	8-10-1901	8-17-1901	10-19-1901
Wilkerson, C. N.-----	1867	1867	1867
Wilkerson, David S.-----	1852	1852	1852
Wilkerson, W. P.-----	1- 9-1904	2-13-1904	3-12-1904
Williams, George H.-----	6-19-1962	7- 3-1962	7-24-1962
Williams, G. W.-----	1867	1867	1867
Williams, Robert -----	3- 7-1874	9-12-1874	4-10-1875
Winston, B. T.-----	1856	1856	1856
Winston, Charlie D.-----	2- 9-1924	2-23-1924	3- 8-1924
Winston, David T.-----	4-17-1890	6- 7-1890	8-23-1890
Winston, Francis A.-----	5- 3-1930	5-17-1930	5-24-1930
Winston, George T.-----	1-26-1929	2- 9-1929	2-16-1929
Winston, Howell N.-----	5- 1-1945	6-23-1945	11-26-1945
Winston, James P.-----	2-10-1958	3- 4-1958	4- 1-1958
Winston, James W. Sr.-----	12- 8-1906	12-22-1906	1-12-1906
Winston, James W.-----	2-24-1940	3-15-1940	4-29-1940
			Oxford
			Lodge 122
Winston, Patrick H., Dr.----	4-12-1924	4-19-1924	4-26-1924
Winston, Robert L.-----	6- 6-1963	7- 6-1963	8-24-1963
Winston, Robert W.-----	3-23-1929	4- 6-1929	4-13-1929
Woods, John W.-----	2-12-1921	8-27-1921	9-10-1921
Woods, Thomas -----	1-10-1921	6-30-1921	12-26-1921
Wright, J. G.-----	3-12-1921	8-27-1921	9-10-1921
Yancey, Bailey A.-----	12- 2-1944	12-28-1944	1-20-1945
Yancey, Lee J.-----	11-11-1922	12- 9-1922	12-27-1922
Yancey, P. W., Dr.-----	1853	1853	1853
Yancey, W. E.-----	8-10-1907	11-16-1907	12- 6-1907
Young, Willie Sue-----	3-18-1964	5- 5-1964	6- 2-1964

FRATERNAL DEAD

A review of the annual returns to the Grand Lodge, and the minutes of Adoniram Lodge No. 149 reveal that the following Master Masons passed into the care of God for all times while in good standing of this lodge.

NAME	DATE OF DEATH
Allen, Ralph C.	5-21-1947
Allen, W. C.	12- 9-1934
Arringdale, H. L.	1903
Baker, William	11-20-1900
Boyd, W. A.	11-20-1930
Callahan, G. T.	11-15-1922
Carrington, William L.	11- 1-1950
Clement, M. W.	1- 1-1944
Daniel, M. S.	12-15-1906
Duncan, H.	1875
Eakes, A. H.	5- 7-1919
Eakes, Ruebe T.	1-27-1965
Elliott, Earl L.	12-10-1965
Elliott, J. B.	6-19-1931
Elliott, James	3- 3-1888
Garner, Lewis	8- 9-1878
Harrison, Thomas Y.	1874
Hart, G. W.	6- 8-1948
Hart, Henry A.	12-29-1947
Hart, J. T.	8-24-1923
Hart, J. T. Sr.	6- -1906
Hart, Sidney C.	4-26-1962
Hart, T. S.	8-22-1879
Hobgood, G. C.	2-14-1930
Jones, H. S.	7- 3-1907
Jones, J. P.	9-25-1913
Kittrell, Job	9- 2-1879
Loftis, Charles B.	3-20-1955
Lyon, C. A.	12-16-1938
Was a member of Erie Lodge 149 Fort Dover, Canada	
McAden, Hugh	2- -1881
Moore, T. C.	11-22-1933
Newton, Joe D.	2-21-1959
Noblin, Robert Marsh	9-20-1953
Norwood, Claude	9-27-1906
Overbey, James M.	1873
Overbey, L. S. Sr.	1875
Overbey, L. S.	2-23-1909
Pittard, G. W.	7- 9-1891
Pittard, R. T.	5-16-1926
Pittard, T.	1- -1905
Puckett, Hallie M.	1-31-1965
Puryear, Horman	1867
Rogers, John	1903
Sizemore, W. H.	2- -1966
Stone, L. B.	3- 2-1884

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NAME	DATE OF DEATH
Watkins, G. W.-----	4- 4-1905
Watkins, John A.-----	6-27-1913
Watkins, John S.-----	4-26-1962
Wilkerson, D. S.-----	1875
Wilkerson, W. P.-----	9- 2-1912
Winston, B. T.-----	5-31-1898
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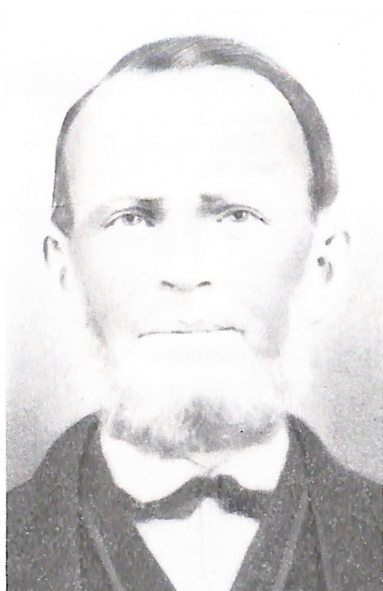
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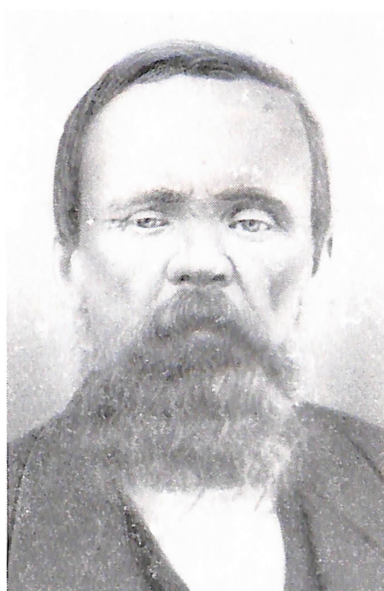
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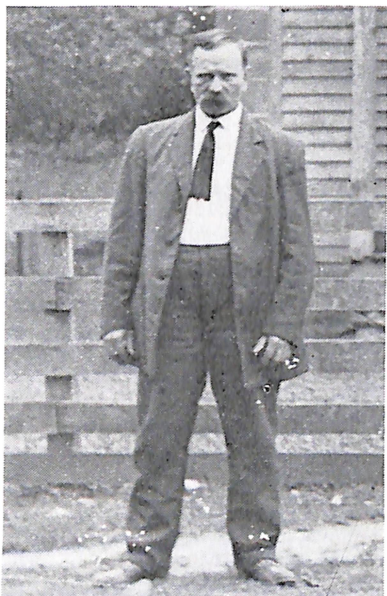
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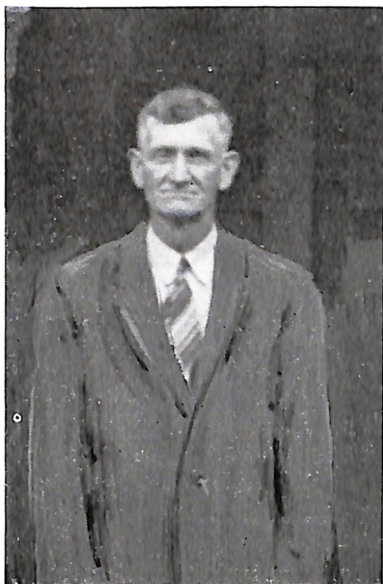
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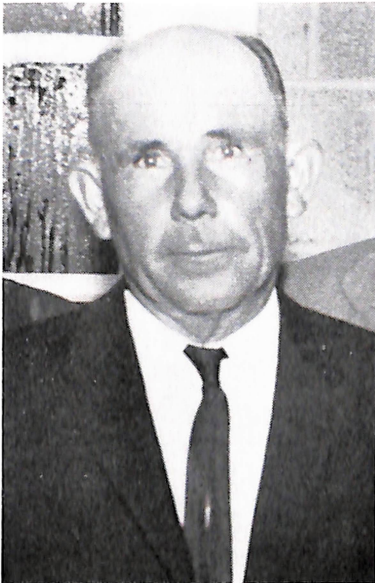
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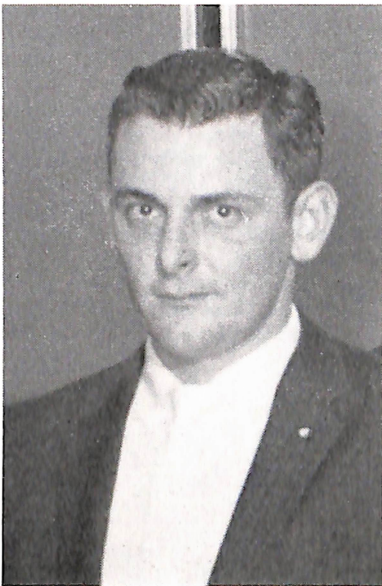
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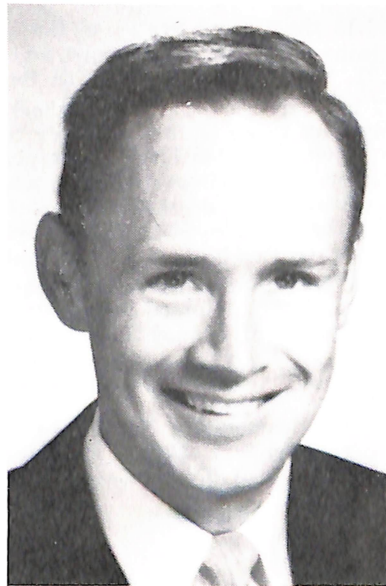
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CHAPTER VII

CONCLUSION

Adoniram has had a long and wonderful heritage. Foundations have been laid and obstacles overcome which have strengthened the purpose for which Adoniram was established. Let us the present members move ahead as our fore fathers have done in the past and

make Adoniram the greatest lodge in North Carolina. Let us look back on some of the events which will be used as building blocks for the future.

The first meeting was held under dispensation sometime prior to December 8, 1852.

The first initiation took place in 1852.

The charter was granted December 8, 1852.

The first Masonic trial was held in 1927.

The first and only fire sustained by Adoniram Lodge occurred July 17, 1917.

The longest consecutive number of years as Master is twenty-two years 1871-1893: G. W. Watkins.

The longest consecutive number of years as Treasurer is thirty-seven years 1869-1906: J. A. Watkins.

The longest consecutive number of years as Secretary is thirteen years 1888-1901: M. S. Daniel and 1945-1956: J. J. Moore.

For the first time in the history of Masonry in North Carolina, and in the United States as far as this writer is able to determine, a father and six sons opened and closed a lodge. This was done by D. T. Winston and his sons on September 14, 1940.

I am sure that there are other firsts in Adoniram Lodge and the only way to go is forward. For the past two years, I have taken a very long and hard step in trying to gather this material, and I fear in a very imperfect manner. The institution of Masonry has prompted me to do the best that I know how. It is my earnest hope that the brethren will make due allowances for all errors. I hope that when this book is judged that Masons can only say that I have not done an injustice to the Masonic Organization and to Adoniram Lodge. Before I joined Adoniram Lodge, I was blind to the services that I could give mankind but now I feel that my sight is restored.

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APPENDIX

HONORARY MEMBERS ON DEC. 31, 1965

	Date Elected
WALLACE EVERETTE CALDWELL University Lodge No. 408, Chapel Hill, N. C.	6-24-1950
GRADY I. CARRIKER Henderson Lodge No. 299 Henderson, N. C.	4-24-1948
CHARLIE A. HARRIS Person Lodge No. 113 Roxboro, N. C.	11-21-1942
D. SLOAN JOHNSON Oxford Lodge No. 122 Oxford, N. C.	6-22-1940

1852 BY-LAWS OF
ADONIRAM LODGE NO. 149

ARTICLE I

CHARTER AND COMMUNICATION

Section I. The Master shall have charge of the charter, and it shall be in the lodge whenever opened.

Section II. The regular communication of this lodge shall be held on Saturday before the Second Sabbath in each month.

Section III. The lodge shall hold no communication on Sunday, except on funeral occasion.

Section IV. The Master or in his absence, the Wardens by seniority, may call special communications of the lodge.

ARTICLE II

ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS—THEIR DUTIES

Section I. The elective officers of this lodge, to-wit: Master, Wardens, Treasurer, and Secretary, shall be chosen by ballot at the regular communication preceding the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist the Master by two-thirds, and the remaining officers by a majority of the members present.

Section II. All the officers shall be installed on St. John Evangelist day, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Section III. The Master, immediately after his installation, shall appoint the Deacons, Marshall, Stewards and Tyler.

Section IV. It shall be the duty of the Master, on the decease of a member or sojourning brother, entitled to such honors, to ascertain if Masonic honors would be agreeable, and to take measures accordingly.

Section V. The Master shall read, or cause to be read in open lodge, as soon after they may be received as practicable, the annual proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

Section VI. The Treasurer shall not pay out any money except upon the warrant of the Worshipful Master, properly attested by the Secretary; and shall furnish the lodge with an annual statement of his receipts and disbursements.

Section VII. The Secretary shall transcribe on the book of records, the minutes of each regular and special communication; shall keep a book with the By-Laws neatly writ-

ten therein for the signatures of members; shall properly endorse and file all papers necessary to be preserved; shall pay over to the Treasurer all monies received by him, on or before the day of each regular communication shall pay out no monies in his hands by virtue of his office; shall receive no due bill or other evidence of indebtedness; and shall have his books in the Lodge, at each regular communication with every entry properly made up to that date.

Section VIII. It shall be the duty of the Tyler to keep the furniture clean, and everything in order for each communication of the Lodge.

The implements, jewels, clothing, and other property of the Lodge, with the keys of the several apartments, wardrobes, etc., shall be considered in his custody, and he shall, for the time being, be held responsible for their safe-keeping; and at the expiration of his term of office; shall deliver over the same to his successor; he shall keep a visitor's register, in which he shall require each visitor to register his name and the Lodge of which he is a member. It shall also be his duty to deliver to the brethren, to whom they are addressed, all summons issued by the Lodge, and to make the due return of such directions, or return the same to the Secretary, with a statement in writing, setting forth the reasons for his failure to do so. His services shall be rewarded as the Lodge, may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE III

COMMITTEES

Section I. There shall be three standing committees, to wit: A committee of finance, and a committee of reference, and a committee of charity.

Section II. The worshipped Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, shall be a committee on charity, who shall attend to all applicants for relief, see that all true, worthy brothers, their widows, and orphans, in sickness or distress, are aided and assisted, and report their action to the Lodge: Provided, when they may deem it necessary, they may draw from the funds of the Lodge, to the amount of Five dollars, without the action of the Lodge.

Section III. The committee of finance shall consist of three members, to be appointed by the Master, annually, at the

regular communication next succeeding the installation of officers, or as soon thereafter as practicable. This committee shall, from time to time, examine the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, and make a written report thereon, and on the financial affairs of the Lodge, at the end of each year, on oftener, if required, and shall carefully investigate every claim against the Lodge before the parliament of the same shall be ordered by the Lodge.

Section IV. The committee of references shall consist of three discreet and judicious members, to be appointed by the Master, who shall consider and decide all matters of controversy, on dispute, arising at any time among the brethren, which may be referred to them. Either party dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, may appeal to the Lodge.

ARTICLE IV

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Section I. No business shall be transacted in any other than a Master's Lodge, excepting only such as pertains especially to the work and features of the E. A. or F. C. degrees on the investigation of charges against an E. A. or F. C.

Section II. No business shall be transacted at a special communication, other than that for which it was called; nor shall such communication receive petitions, or ballot, except upon the advancement of candidates; nor engage in any other business affecting the general interests of the Craft.

Section III. The order of business at a regular communication shall be:

1. Reading minutes of last regular and all intervening communications
2. Unfinished business
3. Reports of Committees on petitions for initiation and memberships
4. Balloting
5. Reports of standing committees
6. Reports of special committees
7. Reception of petitions
8. Communications
9. Motions and Resolutions
10. Informal communications affecting the craft
11. Reading and approval of the minutes

Section IV. The order of business may be changed, or temporarily dispensed with, by the Master, when preparing emergency may require it.

ARTICLE V

Section I. The fees for degrees conferred in this lodge shall be twenty dollars and shall invariably accompany the petition.

Section II. The fee for membership shall be two dollars.

Section III. The dues from members shall be two dollars per annum, to be paid quarterly.

ARTICLE VI

PETITIONS FOR DEGREES

Section I. A petition for the degrees of masonry shall be in writing, signed by the applicant, and in the following form.

To the Master, Wardens and members of Adoniram Lodge No. 149 A.F. & A.M. The petition of _____ respectfully sheweth that he entertains a favorable opinion of your ancient institution, and he desires to be made a member thereof. If this his petition be granted, he will yield a cheerful obedience to the usages and customs of masonry. His age is _____ years; his vocation that of a _____, and his residence _____, date _____
Signature _____ Recommended by _____

Section II. A petition for the degrees of masonry or membership shall be recommended by two or more members, of the lodge and shall be placed in the hands of the secretary with the lawful fee.

Section III. Every petition for the degrees of masonry or membership shall be referred to a committee of three members, who shall diligently investigate the character, standing and qualifications of the applicant, and report to the lodge at the first regular communication, thereafter, if practicable and no petition shall otherwise be acted upon.

Section IV. On balloting for a candidate, one black ball shall reject without a question, except that a second ballot may be demanded to be satisfied of no mistake.

Section V. The ballot shall be inspected by none, save the

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Master and Wardens, and no member shall make known what manner of ballot he cast.

Section VI. If the applicant be rejected, the fee shall be returned by the Secretary. If he be accepted, and negligently fail to offer himself for initiation within six months after his acceptance, or to make a satisfactory excuse for such neglect, the fee shall be forfeited to the charity fund, and the whole proceeding, in his case shall be null and void.

Section VII. A petition, once rejected, shall not again be acted upon within the space of one year.

Section VIII. The Lodge shall not entertain the petition for degrees, of a stranger, sojourner, or person having no fixed or permanent place of abode or residence; nor of one whose residence is nearer to some other Lodge, unless by written sanction of such Lodge, or of the Grand Lodge of the State from which he hails; nor shall the Lodge entertain a petition from an applicant, who has not resided within its jurisdiction for twelve months immediately preceding the date of his petition.

Section IX. A petition shall not be withdrawn after its reference to a committee.

Section X. Before a candidate shall be prepared for initiation he shall answer satisfactorily the following interrogatories:

1. Do you declare upon your honor, before these witnesses, that unbiased by friends and uninfluenced by mercenary motives, you freely and voluntarily offer yourself a candidate for the mysteries of Masonry?
2. Do you further declare upon your honor, before these witnesses, that you are promoted to solicit the privileges of masonry by a favorable opinion conceived of the Institution, a desire of knowledge, and a sincere wish of being serviceable to your fellow-creatures?
3. Do you further declare, upon your honor, before these witnesses, that you will cheerfully conform to all the ancient established usages and customs of the Fraternity?
4. Have you petitioned any other Lodge and been rejected by it?

ARTICLE VII

QUALIFICATIONS

Section I. Every applicant for the degrees of masonry must be free-born; and no individual physically so deformed, as to disable him from honestly acquiring the means of subsistence, or who may be incapacitated to become a useful member, shall be initiated.

ARTICLE VIII

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Section I. A petition for membership shall be in writing, signed by the applicant, and in the following form:

To the Master, Wardens and Brethren of _____
Lodge No. _____

The petition of _____ respectfully showeth that he was lately a member of _____ Lodge, No. _____, at _____; and he now prays to be admitted a member of your Lodge. His age is _____ years; his vocation that of a _____, and his residence _____. (signed) _____

Recommended by _____, _____, _____

Section II. A petition for membership shall be accompanied by the applicants demit, and up to and inclusive of the ballot, shall be subject to the same rules as a petitioner for the degrees of masonry.

(See Article VI)

ARTICLE IX

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Section I. None but worthy Master Masons, against whom no other Lodge has claims, shall be admitted to membership.

Section II. Any resident Master Mason of good standing as a citizen, whose Lodge has become dormant may be admitted to membership, upon such terms in other respects as other Masons.

Section III. No mason shall be a member, until he shall have subscribed the By-Laws.

ARTICLE X

DEMIT

Section I. A petition for a demit shall be in writing, signed by the applicant, and in the following form:

To the Master, Wardens and Brethren of _____

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Lodge No.____. The undersigned respectfully prays to withdraw from the membership of your Lodge, and asks for a certificate to that effect. His motive for this request is_____.

Section II. The foregoing petition shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Secretary of the payment of all dues by the applicant.

ARTICLE XI

NON-AFFILIATED MASONS

Section I. A non-affiliated Mason shall not be permitted to visit the Lodge, or to join in procession; nor shall be entitled to relief, or masonic assistance, or burial.

ARTICLE XII

RECOMMENDATION FOR DISPENSATION

Section I. No petition for a dispensation for organizing a new Lodge, shall be recommended, until the proposed Master and Wardens have shown themselves, upon careful examination, in open Lodge, to be well skilled in the Ritual and laws of Masonry.

ARTICLE XIII

CHARITY FUND AND RELIEF

Section I. Fee for initiation and advancement shall be held sacred for charitable or educational purposes, unless indispensable necessity should require their use for providing suitable accommodations, or necessary fixtures.

Section II. Applications to the Lodge for charity, shall, in all cases, be made through a member of the Lodge, who shall previously qualify himself to furnish the Lodge with necessary information of the standing, character, condition, and circumstances of the applicant.

ARTICLE XIV

CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP

Section I. Upon the death of any member of this Lodge it shall be the duty of the Secretary to furnish the widow or orphans of such deceased member a certificate, under the seal of the Lodge, of his membership, standing and death, without any application or charge therefore.

ARTICLE XV

OFFENCES

Section I. Offences occurring while the Lodge is at labor,

shall be reported by the Senior Warden; and offences occurring while the Lodge is at refreshment, shall be reported by the Junior Warden; provided, that these officers may exercise a sound discretion in reporting trivial offences, which may be more prudently made the subject of private counsel and reprimand.

ARTICLE XVI

MISCELLANEOUS

1. The Master shall put all questions distinctly; if a division be called for, he is to request those who voted in the affirmative to rise, and count them, then the negative, and shall declare the results.
2. All committees are to be appointed by the presiding officers, except as herein otherwise provided.
3. In case of a vote on any question, the majority of those present voting for or against, shall be necessary to a decision, except as otherwise provided; in case of a tie the presiding officer shall decide.
4. When a member is about to speak, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address the Worshipful Master.
5. If any members, in speaking or otherwise, shall transgress the rules of the lodge, the Master, or any member may call to order; he shall immediately take his seat and the member calling him to order shall state the point of order. The Master shall decide the question of order without debate, except that the member called to order may be allowed to explain. If the decision be in favor of the member he shall be at liberty to proceed.
6. When two or more members rise at once, the Master shall name the one entitled to the floor.
7. No visitor shall address the lodge without have being first obtained or he be called on by the Master.
8. When the Master is stating a question or addressing the lodge, or when a member is speaking, no person shall enter, go out of, or cross the room, nor be permitted to enter into private discourse.
9. No motion for reconsideration shall be made, except by a member voting with the majority, and at the same meeting when the question shall have been decided.
10. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Master, and if in writing, read by the Secretary before debate.

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11. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if a member desire it. In filling blanks, the largest sum or number, and the longest time, shall be first-stated.
12. Any motion may be withdrawn by the mover, before decision and amendment.
13. No new motion or proposition shall be admitted while a question is pending before the lodge.
14. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, unless he obtain the permission of the Master.
15. Every member appointed on a committee must serve, unless, for reasons given, he be excused by the Master.
16. No member shall interrupt another, when speaking, except by permission of the Master and the member then speaking.
17. No member shall engage in conversation, during the conferring of degrees, except it be necessary to facilitate the work.

PAST MASTERS OF THE LODGE LIVING ON
DECEMBER 31, 1967

ATKINS HANNON CLARK
LAWRENCE EDWARD DAVIS
R. L. EAKES
HENRY FRANKLIN GILL
ROBERT KEEN HYLER, JR.
JOSEPH JESIAH MOORE
BEN JONES NEAL
LEWIS WILLIAM PARHAM
A. T. PITTARD
J. U. TEAGUE
HERBERT BRYANT TILLEY
JERRY ANDERSON TIMBERLAKE
GEORGE HARRISON WILLIAMS
CHARLIE DAVID WINSTON
FRANCIS ALLEN WINSTON
BAILEY ABSELM YANCEY

YEARS SERVED IN ADONIRAM LODGE

NAME	Year Joined	1967
L. G. Blackwell	1950	17
A. E. Capps	1956	11
A. H. Clark	1946	21
Amos P. Coats, Jr.	1966	1
James E. Cooper	1936	31
H. L. Culbreth	1958	9
L. E. Davis	1958	9
R. L. Eakes	1908	59
M. M. Evans	1946	21
James R. Elliott	1968	0
Dr. J. C. Elliott	1922	45
W. L. Frazier	1946	21
H. F. Gill	1954	13
H. T. Gill	1963	4
L. J. Harris	1955	12
R. K. Hyler, Jr.	1951	16
D. M. Larkins	1950	18
S. M. Loftis	1950	17
J. J. Moore	1924	43
P. T. Morgan	1960	7
Ben J. Neal	1964	3
Dr. R. L. Noblin	1921	46
Robert J. Noblin	1940	27
R. A. Nelson	1945	22
S. M. Nelson	1945	22
R. W. Newton	1963	4
L. W. Parham	1956	11
W. Forrest Perkins	1966	1
R. C. Pittard	1947	20
N. W. Smith	1961	6
H. B. Tilley	1947	20
J. A. Timberlake	1930	37
C. T. Walker	1950	17
J. A. Watkins	1930	37
W. D. Watkins	1899	68
G. L. Whitehurst	1946	21
G. H. Williams	1962	5
C. D. Winston	1924	43
F. A. Winston	1930	37
G. T. Winston	1929	38
H. N. Winston	1945	22

Dr. P. H. Winston	1924	43
James W. Winston	1940	27
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J. P. Winston	1958	9
John Woods	1921	46
B. A. Yancey	1945	22
Willie S. Young	1964	3



